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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
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YOZO HOTTA, ET AL:	)	
	:	Group Art Unit: Unassigned
Application No.: Unassigned	)	
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Filed: February 24, 2004	)	
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For: IMAGE HEATING APPARATUS	)	February 24, 2004

The Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

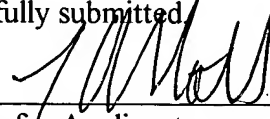
In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that an initialed copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted



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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS							
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		<b>6,088,549</b>	<b>7/11/2000</b>	<b>Kagawa, et al.</b>	<b>399</b>	<b>67</b>	
FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS							
		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION YES/NO/ OR ABSTRACT
		<b>8-129313</b>	<b>5/21/1996</b>	<b>Japan</b>			<b>Abstract</b>
		<b>10-69176</b>	<b>3/10/1998</b>	<b>Japan</b>			<b>Abstract</b>
		<b>10-232577</b>	<b>9/2/1998</b>	<b>Japan</b>			<b>Abstract</b>
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		<b>11-24489</b>	<b>1/29/1999</b>	<b>Japan</b>			<b>Abstract</b>
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		<b>2000-19876</b>	<b>1/21/2000</b>	<b>Japan</b>			<b>Abstract</b>
		<b>2002-62752</b>	<b>2/28/2002</b>	<b>Japan</b>			<b>Abstract</b>
		<b>2002-123117</b>	<b>4/26/2002</b>	<b>Japan</b>			<b>Abstract</b>
		<b>2002-221219</b>	<b>8/9/2002</b>	<b>Japan</b>			<b>Abstract</b>
		<b>2002-236426</b>	<b>8/23/2002</b>	<b>Japan</b>			<b>Abstract</b>
		<b>2003-29563</b>	<b>1/31/2003</b>	<b>Japan</b>			<b>Abstract</b>
OTHER DOCUMENT(S) (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)							
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